PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: STRUCTURE AND METHOD OF COUPLING SHAFT MEMBER OF CYLINDRICAL

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of one month, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of March 8, 2007 to July 8, 2007. Since July 8, 2007 fell on a Sunday, the filing of this petition is timely.

The statutory fee of \$120.00 is being paid via the USPTO Electronic Filing System (EFS). The USPTO is also directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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